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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed October 2, 2008, kindly consider the following remarks. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time, extending the time for a response until February 2, 2009, and thus this response is being timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9.